

Question on Notice
No. 1721
Asked on 15 November 2018

MR R STEVENS ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide an itemised list of lost equipment by the Queensland Police Service for the 2017-18 financial year, including any lost firearms or ammunition, and the total replacement cost?

ANSWER:

I have been advised that the Public Service Business Agency (PSBA) maintains all records in relation to service issued firearms and accoutrements, and that the Queensland Police Service (QPS) conducts annual inspections.

With regards to police equipment, other than firearms and ammunition, it is important to note that the QPS is a large organisation with more than 15,000 personnel. The Member's question in this regard is wide ranging and, as asked in its present form, would include any piece of equipment, such as stationary supplies, gloves, shoes and sunglasses, to name a few. As such, the Member may wish to consider asking a more specific question in relation to this matter.

However, with regard to the Member's question in regards to any lost firearms or ammunition, QPS has advised that no ammunition was lost and that the loss of a pistol, with a total value of \$600, is the subject of a current ongoing investigation.

The QPS has strict policies and procedures regarding the actions that must be undertaken in respect to any missing equipment and such incidents are generally subject to internal investigation.